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Serial No. 09/977,685 )  
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FLUID COMPOSITION FOR )  
REFRIGERATING MACHINE )

Group Art Unit: 1764

Examiner: Unassigned

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Copies of the listed documents are attached.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

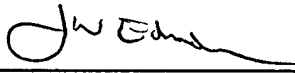
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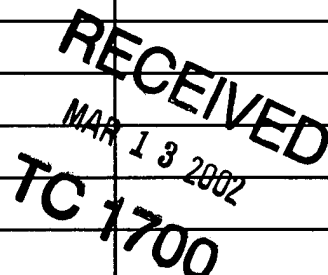
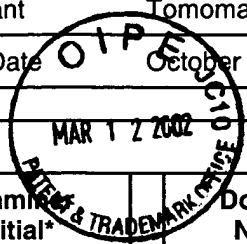
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